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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A) PFOR, SA, US

SUBJ: SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH KING FAISAL

REF : SECTO 386

1. DCM HAS DISCUSSED TENTATIVE ETA FOR SECRETARY IN RIYADH NOVEMBER 6 WITH CHIEF OF ROYAL PROTOCOL ABDUL WAHHAB. WAHHAB SAYS 1645 NOT RPT NOT BEST TIME FOR SECRETARY TO ARRIVE, BECAUSE EVENING PRAYERS FALL AT 1912 HOURS. AFTER EVENING PRAYERS, KING'S SCHEDULE TAKEN UP IN DINNER AND FURTHER DEVOTIONS. KING THEREFORE COULD NOT RPT NOT MEET WITH SECRETARY UNTIL 1930 HOURS NOVEMBER 6. IF THIS TIME WERE AGREEABLE TO SECRETARY, HOWEVER, DIWAN SAYS AUDIENCE COULD LAST AS LONG AS SECRETARY WISHED.

2. DIWAN ALSO PROPOSES FOR SECRETARY'S CONSIDERATION ALTERNATIVE OF EARLIER ARRIVAL AND AFTERNOON AUDIENCE AT 1600 HOURS. THIS WOULD REQUIRE SECRETARY TO ARRIVE RIYADH NO LATER THAN 1530 HOURS; AUDIENCE WOULD ALSO HAVE TO END PRECISELY AT 1700 HOURS (BECAUSE OF PRAYERS).

3. ABDUL WAHHAB ASKS THAT HE BE INFORMED OF SECRETARY PREFERENCES ASAP. HE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR BY THIS EVENING (NOV 4)

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